

Appl. No. 09/834,660
Office Communication mailed January 18, 2006

REMARKS

Claims 21-30 and 61-104 are pending.

Claims 21-30 and 61-82 stand rejected under 35 USC 102 for anticipation by U.S. Patent No. 5,960,276 to Liaw et al.

Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection and urges allowance of the present application.

Applicant hereby submits a copy of a §1.131 Declaration of inventor Tran swearing behind the Liaw reference and submitted during the prosecution of related application having U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/071,453, now U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002-0072199 A1. The declaration and accompanying evidence demonstrates conception and reduction to practice of the claimed invention before the effective date of Liaw. Accordingly, the rejections based on Liaw are overcome and should be withdrawn.


This application is now believed to be in immediate condition for allowance, and action to that end is respectfully requested. If the Examiner's next anticipated action is to be anything other than a Notice of Allowance, the undersigned respectfully requests a telephone interview prior to issuance of any such subsequent action.

The Examiner is requested to phone the undersigned if the Examiner believes such would facilitate prosecution of the present application. The undersigned is available for telephone consultation at any time during normal business hours (Pacific Time Zone).

Appl. No. 09/834,660
Office Communication mailed January 18, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

2/21/06
Date


James D. Shaurette
Reg. No. 39,833